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In re Appln. of: Satoru Adachi et al.

Appln. No.: 10/680,205

Filed: October 8, 2003

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PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 CFR § 1.136(a))

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is a petition for an extension of the time to respond to the Office Action dated December 19, 2008 for a period of 3 month(s).

Applicant is: small entity (per 37 CFR 1.27) other than small entity

	Extension Months	Other Than Small Entity	Small Entity
	One Month	\$130.00	\$65.00
	Two Months	\$490.00	\$245.00
$\overline{\boxtimes}$	Three Months	\$1,110.00	\$555.00
	Four Months	\$1,730.00	\$865.00
	Five Months	\$2,350.00	\$1,175.00

Payment Method:

above.	Payment by credit card in the amount of \$1,110.00 to cover the fees listed		
	Form PTO-2038 is enclosed for this purpose.		
	The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge \$ to cover the fees listed above to Deposit Account No. 23-1925.		
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	Respectfully submitted,		

Dated:

May 29, 2009

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